

Application No.: 10/823,609
Reply to Notice of Omitted Items: July 29, 2004

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
AKIRA IGARASHI, ET AL. : EXAMINER:
SERIAL NO: 10/823,609 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1746
FILED: APRIL 14, 2004 :
FOR: CATALYSTS FOR WATER GAS :
SHIFT REACTION, METHOD FOR
REMOVING CARBON MONOXIDE IN
HYDROGEN GAS AND FUEL CELL
GENERATION SYSTEM

PETITION TO THE COMMISSIONER UNDER 37 CFR §1.182(f) and §1.53 (e)(2)

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

SIR:

Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to invoke supervisory authority in this application. Contrary to the assertion in the Notice of Omitted Items in a Nonprovisional Application mailed July 29, 2004, Applicants have indeed filed all pages of the specification, including pages 31-37, on April 14, 2004. Accordingly, a filing date of April 14, 2004, should be maintained for this application. In addition, the petition fee should be refunded. The facts of this case are as follows.

This application was filed on April 14, 2004, and, at that time, the entire specification including pages 31-37 was filed. A copy of the date-stamped filing receipt evidencing the filing of 41 pages of the specification is enclosed. In addition, Applicants attach additional copies of pages 31-37 because it appears that the Patent Office may have lost these pages. A

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Notice of Omitted Items in a Nonprovisional Application was mailed July 29, 2004, asserting that pages 31 -37 were missing in the case. A copy of the Notification is enclosed herewith. However, since the pages 31-37 were properly filed on April 14, 2004, Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to invoke supervisory authority in this application, and to maintain a filing date of April 14, 2004, and to refund the petition fee of \$130.00. An early and favorable indication of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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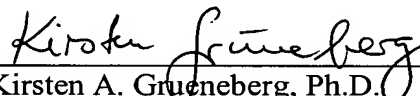
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